(ii) 140 MGD Water Treatment Plant at Sonia Vihar.

(iii) 10 MGD Water Treatment Plant at Dwarka by treating rain water coming into Najafgarh drain.

(iv) 40 MGD Water Treatment Plant at Okhla.

(v) 20 MGD Water Treatement Plant at Bawana-II phase.

**Proposal to Scrap Octroi**

2282. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government proposes to scrap octroi;

(b) if so, whether Government have sought opinion of Local Self Government/Municipalities and Municipal Corporation;

(c) whether Government have proposed alternative sources for revenue generation of Local bodies; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAM JETHMALANI): (a) The levy of Tax on entry of goods into a local area for consumption, use or sale therein falls at Entry 52 of the State list of the Constitution. In view of this, it is for the State Governments to look into the question of abolition of Octroi as the same falls within their purview. The question of abolition of octroi was also considered by a committee of Chief Ministers headed by the Chief Minister of West Bengal, constituted by the Ministry of Surface Transport. This committee also came to the conclusion that octroi is protected by entry 52 of the State list and there is no question of its abolition or substitution. The names of the States which are not imposing octroi are given in the enclosed *Statement. (see below)*

(b) Since, Octroi is a State subject, there is no question of seeking opinion of the Urban Local Bodies by the Central Government.

(c) and (d) As per the information available, the Urban Local Bodies are being compensated by the State Governments for the loss of revenue due to abolition of Octroi by one or more of the following alternative sources of revenue:-

1. Surcharge on Sales Tax (West Bengal).

2. Grands-in-aid (Uttar Pradesh, Manipur, Pondicherry).

3. Entry Tax (Madhya Pradesh, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh).

4. Toll Tax (Jammu & Kashmir, imposed only in Lakhanpur, the entry point of the State).

**STATEMENT**

| S. No. | Name of the States where Octroi is not imposed |
|---|---|
| 1. | Andhra Pradesh |
| 2. | Assam |
| 3. | Bihar |
| 4. | Himachal Pradesh |
| 5. | Jammu & Kashmir |
| 6. | Karnataka |
| 7. | Kerala |
| 8. | Madhya Pradesh |
| 9. | Manipur (except Imphal Municipality where Octroi is being leveied) |
| 10. | Mizoram |
| 11. | Meghalaya |
| 12. | Tamil Nadu |
| 13. | Tripura |
| 14. | Uttar Pradesh |
| 15. | West Bengal |
| 16. | Sikkim |
| 17. | Nagaland (Information not received) |
| 18. | Arunachal Pradesh (from the State Governments.) |

**Employment Opportunities for Educated Youths in Assam**

2283. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA: Will the MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes formulated by Government in the State of Assam to